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SUBJ: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON FOOD SYSTEMS:

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1. SOW RECENTLY NAMED ADVISOR FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REFORM TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF RURAL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. POST CONSIDERED REF (B) BUT FEELS EVEN WITH NEW POSITION, SOW BEST FOR SUBJECT PROGRAM AND HE IS DEFINITELY INTERESTED PROJECT.

2. SOW RESPONSIBLE FOR TOTAL DEVELOPMENT THREE MOST IMPORTANT AREAS SENEGAL; THIES, SINE SALOUM, DIOURBEL. MORE THAN HALF SENEGAL'S TOTAL POPULATION CONCENTRATED THESE REGIONS. HIS REFORM PROGRAM INCLUDES MOTIVATION OF POPULATION FOR INCREASED FOOD PRODUCTION, VOTER EDUCATION FOR MORE REPRESENTATIVE RURAL COUNCILS, BUDGET DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVED TECHNIQUES IN FOOD PRESERVATION, DISTRIBUTION AND NUTRITION.

3. HE IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN NON-FORMAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND LITERACY TRAINING. SUGGEST BILINGUAL CENTERS FOR MINORITY GROUPS IN THE SOUTHWEST PART OF THE US OR IN NEW YORK CITY. ALSO WISHES TO VISIT DEMOGRAPHIC CENTERS SCATTERED THROUGHOUT US TO MAKE COMPARISONS AND NOTE APPLICABILITY THEIR STUDIES TO RURAL AREAS IN SENEGAL. TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR EXPOSURE TO THE BUDGET PROCESS AND COMMUNITY - ORIENTED EDUCATION PROGRAMS, SUGGEST VISIT OFFICIALS SMALL MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS. SOW ALSO
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ASKED SEE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH STATION. IF IN SOUTHWEST,

PROPOSE VISIT TO TEXAS TECHNICAL INSTITUTE WHICH SPECIALIZES
IN DRY-LANDS AGRICULTURE AND HAS DONE WORK IN THE SAHEL WITH
AFRICAR.

WHILE IN WASHINGTON, MEET WITH DR JOSEPH KENNEDY OF AFRICARE
TO DISCUSS THEIR PROPOSED POTABLE WATER SYSTEMS AND
AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS FOR SENEGAL.

4. WILL CABLE GOS APPROVAL.
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